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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**Magnetic Transducer with Pedestal Pole Piece Structure**

the specification of which (check one)

is attached hereto.

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**Magnetic Transducer with Pedestal Pole Piece Structure**

and executed, respectively, a declaration for a United States patent application therefor on

(1) Feb, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2001;  
(2) Jan 25<sup>th</sup>, 2001;  
(3) January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2001;  
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